IASPEI GRANT POLICY

This is the general policy for distributing grants based on IASPEI and LOC fund allocations for grant purposes. The allocation of IASPEI grants is decided by the IASPEI Secretary-General/Treasurer. He might consult with the Lead Conveners, the IASPEI Bureau and the LOC Financial officer/Treasurer.

General considerations

1. Grants are intended to facilitate the participation of scientists at IASPEI general assemblies.
2. Grants are given to scientists taking an active role in the GA, e.g. by presenting talks or posters, convening sessions and acting as chairpersons, lecturing at the training schools etc.
3. The deadline for the receipt of grant applications is the same as that for the submission of abstracts.
4. Grants are distributed through the LOC on the basis of a priority list prepared by the IASPEI Secretary-General/Treasurer.
5. Conveners can give the IASPEI Secretary-General/Treasurer recommendations and priorities for grant applicants contributing to their sessions. Requests for financial support, which have been sent to conveners, will need to be processed by the IASPEI Secretary-General/Treasurer and the requesting scientist notified of the decision.
6. The priority list is prepared based on the priorities given below.
7. On receipt of a grant the scientists has an obligation to take part to the GA. The grant is handed over to him only at the GA venue.

Priorities (in order) when distributing grants

1. Scientists from less-developed countries have priority with respect to those from developed countries (see list below). A high priority is given to scientists from less-developed countries situated in the region in which the GA is taking place.
2. Young scientists (PhD students and post-docs until age 35) have priority.
3. Women have priority.

Levels of support

In increasing order, the higher level implies (unless explicitly stated) also support at the lower level.

1. Waiver of registration fee
2. Payment of inexpensive local accommodation
3. Under special circumstances contribution to travel (part of airfare in economy class APEX)

Grant distribution

1. The contributions should be distributed in a fair way among the countries of the applicants.
2. The number of grants given to applicants from each country should by no means exceed (about) 20% of the total number of grants awarded.
3. A reserve list of applicants (about 10% of the number of grant recipients) shall be formed in order to eventually replace grant recipients who do not accept the grant.
4. The IASPEI Secretary-General/Treasurer will notify a grant recipient of its decision within 1-2 months following the grant submission deadline. If on a reserve list, the grant recipient will be notified at least one month before the General Assembly (GA).
5. In the case a grant recipient cannot make it to the GA, he should announce it to the LOC as early as possible so that applicants from the reserve list can be selected in a timely manner.
6. If a grant recipient fails to make his scheduled presentation, he will no longer be eligible for any future grant, unless a strong argument can be made for the no-show.

Developed countries (suggested list)

USA, Canada, EU member countries, Japan, Singapore, Australia, New Zealand, Saudi Arabia, Gulf Emirates, Russia, Iceland, Norway, Croatia, Turkey, Israel, South Africa, China, India, South Korea.